

#### **PATENT APPLICATION**

Attorney Docket No.: 118595

#### **AMENDMENT TRANSMITTAL**

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In re the Application of

Yoshiya TOMATSU

Application No.: 10/773,337

Filed: February 9, 2004

For: THERMAL FIXING DEVICE AND IMAGE FORMING APPARATUS

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

Transmitted herewith is an Amendment in the above-identified application.

Entitlement to small entity status is hereby asserted.

Small entity status of this application has been established.

The filing fee has been calculated as shown below:

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Check No. <u>151895</u> in the amount of \$104.00 is attached. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any other fees that may be required to complete this filing, or to credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 15-0461. Two duplicate copies of this sheet are attached.

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### PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

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Sir:

For:

Please consider the following:

Amendments to the Claims as reflected in the listing of claims;

Remarks.

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